(c) This Test seeks to provide an accreditation to students passing various courses in bio-informatics meeting certain bench-mark standards.

Urdu schools on the pattern of NVs

†1342. SHRI KALRAJ MISHRA: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have any plan to set up Urdu schools on the lines of Navodaya Vidyalayas;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) the names of States that have been chosen for this purpose?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRI MD. ALI ASHRAF FATMI): (a) to (c) The Standing Committee of the National Monitoring Committee for Minority Education has made a recommendation to this effect. However, there is no decision in this regard during the current Five Year Plan.

Mission for secondary education

1343. SHRIMATI PREMA CARIAPPA: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government are planning/proposing to launch a mission for secondary education;

(b) how Government would generate the resources for such a mission; and

(c) the core agencies to execute and monitor the mission?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRIMATI D. PURANDESWARI): (a) to (c) A concept note on universalization of access to and improvement of quality of secondary education has been prepared and sent to the Planning Commission. The proposal is at a preliminary stage and modalities of resource generation and implementation of the proposed scheme have not been finalised.

†Original notice of the question was received in Hindi.